Docket No. 00862.022278

Examiner: T. D. Nguyen

KAZUMA SATO ET AL.

Application No.: 09/840,892

Art Unit: 3629 Filed: April 25, 2001

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR COLLECTING

COLLECTING USED OFFICE SUPPLIES

Date: June 22, 2006

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THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 5	MINUS	** 107	= 0	x \$25 \$50	0	
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 3	MINUS	*** 24	= 0	x \$100 \$200	0	
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$180°/\$360							
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						0	

If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space. If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

	Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.					
	A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.					
	Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
X	Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.					
	A check in the amount of \$ to cover the fee for a month extension is enclosed.					
	A check in the amount of \$ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.					
X	Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.					
	Respectfully submitted,					

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination is filed herewith. In response to the Office Action of March 22, 2006, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows. The claims are listed beginning at page 2, and the Remarks begin at page 7.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

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June 22, 2006
Signature Date of Signature